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SUBJ: (1) U.S. PROPOSAL TO ADD CERTAIN SEA TURTLES  
TO ENDANGERED SPECIES LIST.

(2) CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN  
ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA

REF: A. STATE 187; B. STATE 12169; C. COPENHAGEN 243

1. CONCERNING THE U.S. PROPOSAL (REF A) TO LIST  
GREEN SEA-TURTLE (CHELONIA MYDAS) AND LOGGERHEAD  
SEA-TURTLE (CARETTA CARETTA) AS ENDANGERED SPECIES  
OF WILDLIFE UNDER THE MEANING OF SUBJECT (2) CONVENTION,  
THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED THE RESULTS OF THE INQUIRIES  
MADE BY THE DANISH MFA.

2. AMBASSADOR A. ROSENSTAND HANSEN OF THE MFA SAID  
THAT THE MINISTRY HAD RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT  
FROM THE MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT WHICH NOT ONLY  
SUPPORTS THE U.S. PROPOSAL BUT ALSO FAVORS WIDENING  
IT TO INCLUDE ALL SPECIES OF SEA TURTLE.

"THE TWO SPECIES OF SEA-TURTLE CHELONIA MYDAS AND  
CARETTA CARETTA SHOULD DEFINITELY BE LISTED AS  
ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILDLIFE. IT WOULD BE REASON-  
ABLE TO PROPOSE INCLUSION IN THE LIST, OF ALL SPECIES  
OF SEA-TURTLE, WHICH APPARENTLY IS THE INTENTION  
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SINCE THE TWO SPECIES CONCERNED ARE THE MOST COMMON

ONES. INCLUSION OF ALL SPECIES IN THE LIST WOULD PREVENT MISTAKES RESULTING FROM ERRONEOUS IDENTIFICATION AND, MOREOVER, SEA-TURTLES ARE SO RARE THAT THEY DESERVE BEING PROTECTED UNDER THE CONVENTION".

3. THE OTHER AUTHORITIES CONSULTED BY THE MFA ON THE MATTER HAD NO COMMENTS TO MAKE ABOUT THE U.S. PROPOSAL.

4. CONCERNING WHEN DENMARK WILL RATIFY THE CONVENTION (REF B & C), ROSENSTAND HANSEN SAID THAT THE MFA HOPES TO OBTAIN PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL IN THE AUTUMN OF 1974, FOLLOWING WHICH RATIFICATION FORMALITIES CAN BE COMPLETED IN A RELATIVELY SHORT TIME.  
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